

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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# Is The World Growing Better?

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In our earlier life we persuaded ourselves to believe this world would soon be so educated and refined that the enemy of our souls would have a very poor chance in leading us astray and finally landing us in a lake of fire.

We have lived, however, to be convinced that this wicked world, which is so radically opposed to God and so completely under the control of His archenemy, is growing worse day by day and that judgment, fire, and perdition are before it (2 Peter 2:1-3).

Perilous times have been promised for the last days (1 Tim. 4:1). "Evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived." Everything on every hand is plain proof to the student of prophecy that we are truly

living close to the end.

The tares, which naturally grows much faster than the wheat, shall continue up to the harvest. Matt. 13:40. The mystery of iniquity which was working in the days of the apostles is sure to culminate in "The man of sin," Antichrist, whom even the mass of the Jews will receive (John 4:43) and who will be so great and rule with such universal authority that he is to be destroyed only by the personal appearing of the Lord Himself.

The only hope, then, for this poor, sinful world is the coming of Christ the King. Our personal hope, the hope of the Church of God, based upon His promise that He will come again, sustains us in this evil hour. When He comes He will gather out all things that offend, this earth will be purified, made anew.

The man of sin will be destroyed. Then His millennial kingdom will be established on the earth. There is a very gloomy prospect for the world during this evil age; there is a bright and glorious prospect during the coming age.

It is argued that we have made great progress in civilization and refinement, in benevolence, in personal liberty, international fraternity, Christian work, etc. In proof of this, the abrogation of slavery is cited; also the cessation of the inquisition and martyrdom, the establishment of charitable institutions, the great postal and commercial means of communication, built upon the agencies of steam and electricity, the right of trial by jury, international arbitration, and missionary triumph. Our answer to all this is, that civilization and refinement are not the source of holiness. They may elevate the head, while the heart is untouched. The gilded palace of sin is as truly the gateway to hell as the darkest den of vice.

The cultured and scientific atheist is as surely in the service of the devil as the thief or the murderer. Jesus put them all in the same class when He said, "He that is not with me is against me," Matt. 12:30. So it makes but very little difference how much more like an angel of light the serpent may appear, nor how civilized and refined the world may be, Satan is still the devil and the world is still the world. He may have charged his manifestations and methods, but the spirit of darkness is the same.

Slavery may be disappearing but com-

munism, socialism, and devilism are lifting their godless, headless forms, and darker are their forebodings than were even the days of the inquisition and martyrdom.

Oppressing monopolies, systematic speculation and fraud are parallel with charitable institutions. The mails, so useful for news and correspondence, afford a most convenient agency for disseminating the flood of obscene literature which does its part in blasting the morals of the rising generations. Trial by jury has too often proved a mere farce in which the criminal escapes.

The nation which opened the way for the missionary also forced upon the teeming millions of China the awful curse of opium. While missionary efforts have been greatly blessed abroad, ritualism, skepticism and devilism has had a high time in the homeland. They are doing their best to make inroads on the Church of God. The past century has had its full share of bloodshed and war. The muttering guns of contending armies have belched forth their hell and fury on thousands of battlefields.

Be sure that the devil is on the alert and fully up to the times, multiplying his deceptions on every hand, and will continue to do so until he is chained by the angel and locked in the bottomless pit for a thousand years. It is further argued that, as Christians are the light of the world and the salt of the earth, the greatly increased number of professed Christians must certainly have aug-

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### Notices

There will be an all-day Y. P. E. and Sunday School rally at the Church of God here at Greenwood, S. C. on Durst Ave., Extension, the fifth Sunday in January. Dinner will be served at the church. Everybody bring a well-filled basket. Brother C. F. Grant, state superintendent and Brother Ralph Brewer, district superintendent on the Laurens district, will be in charge of this rally. We are expecting our district pastor, Brother R. G. Looney, to be with us.—Your brother, C. E. McAbee, pastor, 308 Parker St., Greenwood, S. C.

This is to notify all pastors and clerks of the Marion district and our many friends that my address is now Marion, Va.—B. M. Woolwine, district overseer.

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Those wishing to write me may write to the following address, Richmond R. R., P. E. I., Canada. This will be my permanent address for the year.—C. E. Glenn.

The district convention for Marked Tree district will convene at the Burdett church, beginning Thursday night, Feb. 4, and continue until Sunday noon, Feb. 7, service starting at 7:30 p. m. Brother J. A. McCullar, district pastor.

Haynes district convention will begin Thursday night, Feb. 11, and go until Sunday, Feb. 14. Service starts at 7:30 p. m. Brother R. S. Shaw, district pastor.

The Bauxite district convention will convene at the Bauxite church beginning Thursday night, Feb. 18, and continue until Sunday, Feb. 21. Brother Lester Beasley, district pastor. Services start at 7:30 p. m.

Velvet Ridge district convention will begin Thursday night, Feb. 25, at the Bald Knob church and lasts until Sunday, Feb. 28. Service starts at 7:30 p. m. Brother W. V. Johnson, district pastor.

Omaha district convention will convene at the Omaha church, Friday night, March 5, and continue until March 7. Services start at 7:30 p. m. Brother Lona Marlin, district pastor. Now we are expecting every member and every minister to be present during these conventions. We expect every pastor to make a report of his work and expect them to be one hundred per cent on every line. I feel this is our duty to do so. Come on, let's raise our missions and boost the Evangel.—Odis Smith, state oversear, Nettleton, Ark.

We have just closed an old time revival at Carlsbad, N. Mex. The Lord blessed greatly. Several were saved, sanctified, and twelve received the Holy Ghost, fifteen were added to the church, two coming in by transfer. We left Carlsbad and came to Raton. We now have a building rented here to begin a revival. This is a new field for the Church of God. Everyone who reads this please pray a special prayer that we will be able to have a meeting here and win many souls for the Lord.

Pastors of New Mexico, please be faithful in raising your mission quota, as we can use all we can get to open work in new fields. Please do not forget the aged ministers' quota. This is ten cents per member.

Brother Virgil B. Rains is state secretary and treasurer for the mission fund. Send your mission money to him at this

## SPECIAL NOTICE I

We are leaving Cleveland the 12th for our conventions on the Islands and will not return until about the 5th of February. However, your mail addressed to me will be forwarded to me but may be somewhat delayed.

Do sincerely pray that God will bless our efforts and direct our every move for the advancement of His cause on this trip. — J. H. Walker, General Overseer.

address, V. B. Rains, Jal, N. Mex.

Church clerks sending state overseer part of the tithes, if you send stamps, please do not send any over three cents as I cannot use them.—Yours for God and His Church, John E. Douglas, state overseer, Box 542, Raton, N. Mex.

This is to notify all the churches on the Lake Worth, Fla. district that our district convention will convene Feb. 12-14 at Lake Worth church, located at the corner of 17th and F St.

We insist that all pastors, evangelists, Sunday School, and Y. P. E. workers who possibly can attend this convention. Services begin Friday evening at 7:30, consisting of ministers and local officials' meeting, Saturday afternoon at 2:00, Saturday evening, and Sunday morning at 9:45.

Our state overseer will be in charge. Every one who can, come and bring a well-filled basket and let us have a good time together.

Pastors and coworkers, let us have a good report for our convention.—L. B. Hammond, district overseer.

To the churches and pastors in the

state of Louisiana: We are now starting the new year 1937. Let us start right. Check up on your church program. A number of you are behind with your mission quota. Remember pastors, we are counting on you. Be loyal, keep the mission interest before your people, don't forget the penny march, also the birthday offering for the orphans. They are depending on you. We are setting the first Sunday in March to go over the top with our aged ministers' fund, which is an assessment of ten cents per member. Please remember this and send same to E. J. Boehmer, Cleveland, Tenn.

In our ministers' meeting we decided to set the first Sunday in April for a special mission day, put on a mission program, have talks on mission needs and take an offering. J. P. Nolen, Monroe, La., Gen. Del., is your state treasurer.

We have bought a 40x60 tent, We expect to have an evangelistic party ready to take charge of this tent and work in new places. The churches have been assessed according to their ability to pay for this tent. Please raise this amount by February 1, 1937. Shepherds Fold and Sharps Chapel, where Brother O. L. McManus is pastoring, have already raised their amount. Hurrah for these churches and their good pastor. Wonder who will be next? Send your tent money to O. L. McManus, Covington, La., Star Rt. He will give you credit for your amount. We expect to have our state camp meeting under this tent, so come on Louisiana. There's lots to do. You did fine last year, but there is room for improvement.

Sister Iredell Walker, Rayville, La., Rt. 3, is your state Y. P. E. superintendent. Each local Y. P. E. please send her a donation each month to help her carry on this work. Write her about your problems; she can help you, I'm sure. Invite her to your place for Y. P. E. Sister R. E. Blackwood is your state Willing Worker superintendent. She will be glad to help you get organized and assist in any way possible. The Willing Workers surely were faithful in Monroe, La. last year in helping to raise funds for the new parsonage and to furnish it. They have sold near five hundred dollars worth of five-cent pies, besides other ways they raised funds. Can you beat that? Try and see. I'm sure you can.

Preachers and clerks, please make your monthly reports. Please pray for us down here in Louisiana. Come to visit us.—Yours in Christ, Robert E. Blackwood, overseer of Louisiana.

To the ministers in the Harlan, Ky. district: Please be loyal to the teachings of the Church of God in everything. We hear lots of folks who testify of how they (Continued on page 10)

# Who'll Go in The Rapture?

S. W. LATIMER, Editor & Publisher

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It is plain from the Scriptures, that Jesus in His last advice to His followers, made it clear that there was another Comforter that He was going to send them after He returned to His Father. This is too plain in the Scriptures to be denied.

We go to Acts 2:4 and there we have the first evidence of this Comforter, how He came and what He did; how He used the tongues of those who received Him, and no man can contradict this experience. In Acts 10:44-48 we have a clear record of the Gentiles receiving the Holy Ghost, speaking in tongues, and magnifying God. In Acts 19:1-7 we have another evidence of the receiving of the Holy Ghost. This is a doctrine well known to the Christian world today and there is hardly a twelve-year-old child in the United States and in Christian communities across the sea that doesn't know about this wonderful blessing.

Our subject is "Who'll Go in the Rapture?" I am going to make a plain statement. I believe it will take the baptism of the Holy Ghost to complete our salvation. Then perfect obedience must follow. It is a fact that men will be held responsible for that that they know. I will grant you that this is true. But in the face of the plain Word of God, Christ's work on earth, His promise to the waiting company in the upper room, the descent of the Holy Ghost, and His working powers among the apostles and on down through the ages, it is too plain for us to make a mistake concerning His working powers and the evidence.

There are seven distinct periods spoken of in the Scriptures, which range approximately a thousand years each with the exception of the church age or the grace dispensation in which we are now. The first one was Innocency. This was the dispensation of Adam and Eve in the garden. The next one was Conscience. After they were driven out they were conscious of transgression. God visited them and directed their lives. The next one was Human Government. After the flood, in place of ruling for God man ruled for himself, but God continued to visit and talk with him. The next one was Promise-God's covenant with Abraham. He continues to visit and send angels to direct and guide him in the ways that He would have him go. The next was Law. In this dispensation man was brought face to face with obedience to the commandments given to Moses by the Lord Himself. Then we have the dispensation of Grace, or the church age. This began with the crucifixion of Jesus, the apostles and prophets who followed Jesus and took up His work after His death and introduced this gospel of salvation through Jesus Christ. This dispensation has lasted almost two thousand years and takes in the seven church stages which will end at the rapture. We will have a period of tribulation of seven years, then the seventh dispensation, which is the Millennium. This will be a peaceful reign with Christ of a thousand years.

We haven't time to discuss the obligations upon the human family in these dispensations but we do know that all who lived up to the commandments in the different dispensations were justified. It seems that there were many overcomers all along. Enoch was translated before the flood. Noah and his family were saved by the ark which is a type of the raptured saints missing the tribulation week. Matt. 27:51-53 shows clearly that when Jesus came forth many of the bodies of the saints were resurrected, My opinion is that all who had lived up to the requirements came forth and went up to paradise with Jesus. It is said that they appeared unto many and of course the people knew some of them.

I believe it is plainly taught in the Word that in this grace dispensation or church age, the Holy Ghost is the standard of the fulness of Christ. There are varied teachings among the holiness folks concerning this question, but there is one thing that will strengthen the argument and that is that you CAN receive Him if you'll meet the condition, and you can go in the rapture with the Holy Ghost, so why try to make it without Him? The oil that they had in their vessels represents the Holy Ghost or Holy Spirit all through every dispensation. It was the beaten olive oil that the Jews used for lights. The Holy Ghost is spoken of as cloven tongues of fire, as a teacher, and a light, and in this dispensation He is the counsellor for the hearts of men. Millions have received Him with the Bible evidence which is speaking in tongues. The dead in Christ are spoken of as being raised first. My piece to-day is not to the dead but to the living. We will have to leave the dead in the hands of God. No man can tell how close one may get in their passing moments, and what blessings they may receive as they face the end, but to the living I say, why will you be in doubt when you can have the unmistakable evidence of His abiding

presence?

In these last days when millions of people are receiving the Baptism with the evidence, we feel that every one should make this preparation. The experience of those who have paid the price and fully consecrated, is that they become wholly sanctified after being born again. As they pray and praise God the Holy Ghost comes in and takes up His abode with no unmistakable evidence. Shouting is not the evidence of the Baptsim because thousands have been able to shout when they were justified or born again. That company that Jesus led out as far as Bethany returned with joy. This would indicate what we term shouting or praising God. On the day of Pentecost when the Holy Ghost came in He used the people in the upper room in a way that attracted those about .hem, and remember, these people were followers of Jesus with their names written in heaven. They returned from the ascension of Jesus with great joy, and it is said that seventeen nationalities heard them speak in their own tongues wherein they were born, the worderful works of God.

Several places in the Bible the mighty and holy people are spoken of, who are tribulation saints. The company spoken of in Dan. 8:24 is beyond all question the tribulation saints. Also in Dan. 11:32 they are all tribulation saints. The company in Rev. 6:9-11 is tribulation saints, also in Rev. 7:4-8. The company in Rev. 7:12-15 is tribulation saints.

I believe the foolish virgins had made every preparation except the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. The only distinction is that the foolish had no oil in their vessel. They were plainly admonished to go to them that sell and buy for themselves. They must have obtained the blessing for they came back saying, "Lord, Lord, open unto us," but He answered and said, "Verily, verily I say unto you, I know you not." He didn't say, I never knew you. The inference is that, "I know you not in this special time, which is the time of the rapture." All alike have lamps but two facts fix the real status of the foolish virgins. They took no oil and the Lord said. "I know you not." Oil is a symbol of the Holy Ghost.

Dear readers, I plead with you not to turn this aside lightly. I feel that the Baptism of the Holy Ghost is very essential and is, I am afraid, of more value than many think. Why be careless and meet this time unprepared? Of all the horrible things that I can think of, it is

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spite of unbelief of those who disregard the scriptures, the Jews are returning at a rapid rate, and the city of Jerusalem is being rebuilt, and even outside the walls of the old city, new Jerusalem has been built. The only thing is the building of the temple, and I am sure this will take place as the Antichrist takes charge and makes a covenant with the Jews for seven years, Dan. 9:27. He will furnish them money to rebuild their temple, taking the old temple site from the Mohammedans or Turks who now occupy it. This temple site is the bone of contention now between the Turks and the Jews, that caused the first riot after the land had been granted back to the descendant of Abraham, and this will continue to be in question until the Antichrist comes and sets up his reign.

## & Editorials

#### CONDITION IN EUROPE TODAY

Psa. 2:1-3, "Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord, and against his anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us."

As we think of the condition of Europe today we see them without any knowledge of the Word of God whatever The priests and authorities have advised and conducted their religious work in a way that has kept the masses from knowing or having in their possession the written Word of God. The outlook for heart-felt religion in Europe is dark indeed. America and England with all their churches, Sunday Schools, and the Bible in the hands of the people are quite different, and yet there is a tide of unbelief raging in America, also in England, against heart-felt religion. But we are assured that the God of heaven who sitteth on His throne will laugh at them and shall have them in derision.

The European people have no spiritual background, because they have no knowledge of God's promises to the people. The people have been deliberately kept from them and they have grown up in ignorance of the things which every American Sunday School child has been taught. Hence, there is nothing to work on and no hope of enthroning the love of Christ in their hearts.

It is no wonder that the clouds of war are gathering over those countries and they are biting and devouring one another. We believe that God is directing the fight against communism. Germany and Italy are taking a firm stand against this awful doctrine, and no doubt but Spain will establish the Nazi government. This seems to be spreading rapidly in Europe.

# THE REVIVAL OF THE ROMAN FASCIST

This emblem is the emblem that the great rulers used in Europe as the government rapidly grew and conquered allknown nations at that time. It is said that Antiochus Epiphanes and those standing with him had this ax and bundle of sticks for their national emblem. As Mussolini several years ago set out to revise and reestablish this emblem, I firmly believe that it is none other than the spirit of the Antichrist. In my opinion this will cover the entire European countries and all those governments will finally accept that emblem as their national emblem. When this is done, it will be the first inkling of the final preparation for the acceptance of the Antichrist.

Mussolini has the real earmarks of the Antichrist, but he is only a forerunner of the Antichrist. The spirit that he is manifesting is none other than that spirit that will possess the Antichrist and subdue the forces of earth. Hitler is also a true speciman of Antichrist and his maneuvers. I'm sure that some day Germany and Italy will unite their forces to conquer the world, and we, as a nation across the sea, will be influenced greatly to join in with these forces. The spirit of compromise that is possessing all governments and councils today is filled with this spirit. The great rulers of the country and their advisers are uneasy. They don't know what to do. This is none other than the spirit of Antichrist spreading over the land.

#### THE ONLY HOPE FOR THE LOV-ERS OF THE TRUTH

"When the Lord shall build up Zion, he shall appear in all his glory. He shall regard the prayer of the destitute, and not despise their prayer." Psa. 102:16,

We are sure our text refers to God's dealings with Israel and the regathering of the Jews to Palestine and building up Jerusalem as a capital city for His people. This is certainly in process now. In

#### MISSIONARY FIELDS

The missionary work today is being done at a great disadvantage. The spirit of war in China and Japan has almost crowded out the possibility of missionary work. Africa being owned by several different nations, and especially France and England, and the last war with Italy and Ethiopia has stirred the spirit of the African people until it makes religious teachings have a small chance, although every effort should be put forth to Christianize those people. Much work has been done in Africa that will last, I am sure.

India is the ripest field now for religious work, this being owned by England, a nation that is friendly to religion, which gives the nation great advantage. It is pitiful when we think of the condition of the world today, and after all, it is so hard to get these people in these different countries converted to Christendom and to get them to accept real Bible salvation, which, I am sure, is so very necessary for those who expect to make the rapture.

The greater part of religious professors today have but little knowledge of the depth of the love of Christ, and even in America the majority of professors are without the real inwrought blessing that Jesus came to bring. They deny the power of God and set aside its great truths.

The Church of God has made rapid progress in the last thirty years and has spread the truth until millions of people have received the blessings of God in their hearts. Of course there is not a million members of the Church of God, but other holiness movements who accept the full gospel and believe in the indwelling Spirit with its evidence have been a great factor in spreading this gospel. And I include in this little message all who have the indwelling Spirit of God with its evidence. I am not a pessi-

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# The Perry-Scope

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TREASURES NEW AND OLD FROM FAR AND NEAR

Conducted by Sam C. Perry

#### THIS ONE THING I DO

"But this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Phil. 3:13, 14.

This is one of Paul's greatest statements. The last cord has been cut, not even a glimpse earthward from now on. He is one hundred per cent for Jesus. He has no partnerships, no middleground.

1. It means that the will of the Lord is his highest aim in living. Every thought must converge on that point. Nothing else is desired, no plan or thought for anything else.

2. All of his activities are in that direction. "This one thing I do." We can do the will of God. It is the most pleasant way, it is the way to get the best and most worth while out of life. But it requires whole-hearted effort, no halfway work will do in this.

3. It is a personal matter, "this one thing I do." Paul did not expect others to work it out for him, nor that it would just happen, and we need not either. Things do happen, marvelous things, but it is when we fully surrender to God, trust fully in Him, with obedience to the things He requires. There can be no failure when we come squarely up to God's standard.

4. God has made ample provision that all may go the way that Paul went. In each duty or condition God will give grace. Some one has said, "I have a single track mind and can think and do only one thing at a time." Good, this is well enough, if you do the right thing. So many think they can do a multitude of things well and yet fail in all. Try putting more attention to the one thing.

5. Patience is needed in living this life and running the Christian race. How often we fail to see the results that we expected at once. No doubt this was true with Paul and many other Bible characters. God is not always in a hurry. Haste often makes waste, and would spoil many of us. For a long time some have "reached," longed and prayed. Pray on, brother, God is working.

6. Paul looked to the final reward. He did not live for the present. He said there is a crown laid up "for that day." For the present it is work, suffer, watch,

and pray. It will not be long, the day is rapidly drawing nearer. What a great day it will be, the day of the reward in glory.

#### "CAN THAT BE SACRIFICE"

To talk of sacrifice when we are living on the "fat of the land," to pose as martyrs when we have had only a few scratches is ludicrous and absurd. Few of us have gone to the depths of self-denial. It is an age of pampering, enervating, sinning indulgence. Strong character is not forged on such an anvil.

David Livingstone, who spent his life battling with physical hardships, disease and savagery, said: "For my own part I have never ceased to rejoice that God has called me to such an office. People talk of sacrifice I have made in spending so much of my life in Africa. Can that be called sacrifice which is simply paid back as a small part of a great debt owing to our God, which we can never repay?

"Is that a sacrifice which brings its own best reward in healthful activity, the consciousness of doing good, peace of mind, and a bright hope of a glorious destiny hereafter? Away with the word in such a view and with such a thought! It is emphatically no sacrifice! Say rather it is a privilege."

#### WHY JOIN THE CHURCH?

1. For the enjoyment of that fellowship which can be known only among God's people. Heb. 10:25.

2. For the edification and instruction that comes in divine order. Eph. 4:11-13.

3. For the encouragement and blessing received where the Spirit of God is working. Acts 2:42; 4:31.

4. As an example to others, and that our lives may count for the most in God's service.

While the Lord Jesus was bearing the scoffing and blasphemy of His enemies, and about to bear the sin of the world, He was thinking of Peter, one poor, sinning man. His heart is yet the same. He is still the Friend of the erring and needy.

Paul's "defence" was setting forth of himself as the chief of sinners saved by the abounding grace of the Lord of glory. Acts 22:1, 4; 8:16.

#### Young People's Corner

### STUDY—GOD'S APPROVAL OUR OBJECT

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth," 2 Tim. 2:15.

This week we want to think about studying. When you see a man who knows or who has accomplished something worth while, you can know that he has studied.

There is an opening for men who know—men who can put into practice what they know and teach others what they know.

That accomplishment, through study, to which Paul desired Timothy to come, was in the service of God, "approved unto God."

Of all the studying or employment that may engage us, the Word of God and His service offer the greatest returns.

The man who said living for God was his business, but said he packed meat to pay his expenses as he went through, had the right idea. The trouble with most Christians is that their business or work takes first place and their religion is carried along as a sideline. But to make our religion and service to God a success, it must have first place in our thoughts and in our walk.

- 1. Paul said, "Take heed unto thyself and unto the doctrine." Happy is that man who succeeds in turning his own steps into the ways of the Lord. This is our first task. Our own ways, our own habits, our own weaknesses, should have our first attention—"For in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee," 1 Tim. 4:16.
- 2. "Be an example of the believers"—everywhere and all the time—"in word, in conversation, in charity (Christian love) in spirit, in faith, in purity." I saw this motto in the home of a good Christian man, just "OTHERS". To win others for Jesus we must live the life before them.
- 3. Paul said, "The same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also," 2 Tim. 2:2. The blessing that brings life and victory to us must be passed on to others. This is a great task. All can engage in it. Success is attained by reading and studying our Bibles, and then by meeting all of our personal problems and the problems of winning others through prayer, faith, and constant and careful obedience to our Lord.

# News from the Mission Field

ZENO C. THARP, Secretary, Mission Board

#### News From Palestine

Jerusalem, Palestine

My dear Brother Tharp:

It is with thanksgiving to God, and profound appreciation to you and the brethren of the Mission Board, that I now hasten to acknowledge your letter

and check of October 15.

Your letter reached me last week, and had it not been for the fact that I was out of the city for almost a week, I could have answered a few days sooner. Indeed, the facts which your letter revealed, came as a full and complete answer to my prayers. And may I take this opportunity to fully assure you and the brethren of the Mission Board, that to the greatest of my ability as a minister and missionary of the gospel, I shall be a faithful witness and representative of the Church of God in this heathen land? To be sure, I feel myself highly honored in the position of which the Church has given me-such an unworthy servant of Christ.

God is greatly blessing and opening places of service for me, and as I am able I'm going forth, ever seeking to reach more hungry hearts with the gos-

pel.

The Lord willing, and if it be desired of the Church, I shall be glad to write from time to time full reports and experiences of my work here among the Jews. I may say, at this writing, however, that the longer I stay here, the more I see the need of this open field. I have just returned from a trip across Trans-Jordan, and the conditions there are the same as here—many, many new fields ripe, ready for harvest, but no laborers.

I feel led of God to make Jerusalem my headquarters for the winter, and at the same time give some time to a better speaking knowledge of the Modern Hebrew, which, of course, is most important for one working among the Jews.

Thanking God for your prayers and fellowship with me in this missionary work, I am—Your missionary brother in Christ, Ralph E. Baney, clo Y. M. C. A.

#### Give God the Glory for Success

Below is part of a letter written by J. D. Scotland, one of the Haiti preachers, to J. Vital Herne, overseer of Haiti:

Dear Brother Herne: I am on my return from my trip. I give all the glory to God for the success I gained in His precious name.

I set in order, at your advice, the church at Dame-Marie with sixty converts, with Brother Joseph Laguerre as their pastor, and Brother D. Lahamme, secretary.

I set in order the church at Corail with ninety converts, Brother Joseph Francois being the pastor, Brother Charles Odner, secretary, Brother Dors Timothee, treasurer, and Brother Dieujuste Celestin, corresponding missionary.

I also set the church in order at Pestel with thirty-one converts, Brother Bijou Laforesty being their pastor; and the church at Baraderes with thirty converts, Brother Delice being appointed pastor. That makes two hundred added to the church.

I know by Brother Laguerre that your trip has been wonderful. Let us praise Jesus! Greetings to the saints!—Faithfully yours, J. D. Scotland, district pas-

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#### In Appreciation

I praise the Lord for what He is doing for us. We are very thankful for and appreciate the splendid gift of \$75.00 from the Mission Board and allowing us to save the church building at Saint Louis du Sud over which I have the privilege of being district missionary.

I especially thank Brother M. H. Elkins of Remlap, Ala., who contributed most of the gift. The building is a half gift from Sister U. Blaise, for which we

thank her much.

We thank the Lord for the real sacrificing spirit of our dear state overseer, J. Vital Herne, a man of God. We pray the Almighty that we may be faithful to the Church of God until the end.

Pray earnestly for the salvation of lost Haitian souls.—Your sincere brother in Christ, J. D. Petit, co J. Vital Herne, Poste Marchand No. 1000, Port au Prince, Haiti. \* \* \*

## Determined to Stay in the Faith

TURKS ISLAND, B. W. I.—To the Evangel family, greetings. I am glad to report victory through the blood of Jesus. I am still determined to stay in this most holy faith. I am still encouraged and mean by the help and grace of God to stay in the Church of God and live up to her teaching. The Church of God and nothing to take away. I was glad when I found The Church of God, and since teaching her plain doctrine with the help of God I have won two church

building, a preacher and some members. Others are looking this way also. It is no use to fight against the truth.

Brother J. T. Musgrove is a man of his word. Please pray for him and his dear wife who are working together for the cause of the Church of God. I trust God will give us the victory over these islands to confirm His righteousness to

the children of men.

I thank God for healing my wife. She was very sick with a bad fever. Sister Mary A. Arthur and others prayed for her while I was at Grand Turk in mission work and the Lord heard their prayers and delivered her. She is giving God the glory. Please pray for the mission workers, they are helping us win souls and are spreading this world-wide message to the needy.

I organized a Sunday School at Whitby, Turks Island with ten scholars, Brother J. T. Musgrove, superintendent, and one in Kew with fourteen members. We expect to have great success in

1937, D. V.

I ask all the saints to pray for me as I expect to go to the convention in Jamaica, B. W. I. to be ordained, Please pray that the Lord will endow me with more faith and power and that I will be a brave soldier for the Church of God.

—A. W. Rigby, overseer, Turks Island.

#### Our Coming to Canada

WEST DEVON, P. E. I., Can.—Dear Evangel readers, perhaps some of you have been wondering where we are and what we are doing. At the Maine state convention in September a number of us began to tarry and seek the Lord concerning where He would have us work, and while we were praying the Holy Ghost spoke to us to come to this island and work for God. This had not been our plan but when the Lord made it plain we were ready to do our best to obey.

At the time we had only a couple of dollars and no winter clothes, so we began to pray. At the close of the convention we were placed over the Portland work, and the Lord took care of the clothes problem. Then after the General Assembly through Brother Bloom-ingdale and Brother Littlefield we reached the farthest north mission of the Church of God in Maine. Then Nov. 10th we went to Vanceboro, Me., that is, as far as the Canadian Immigration Office. Here we were questioned and examined and had to return to Prentiss, Me. and wait one month and four days. It was very trying to wait so long, not knowing just what would be the answer from the Immigration Office; also about four different offers came, some of them much better looking prospects than (Continued on page 15)

### Bible School Echoes

#### A Week in Bible School

Sunday—the day of all days with the students here in school for we get a chance to refresh ourselves mentally, physically, and, above all, spiritually. Sunday morning we arise a bit later than on other mornings, except Saturday. We start the daily routine of making our beds, putting the room in order, and giving ourselves the proper personal care. By 7:30 we are assembled in the dining room for breakfast. After breakfast there is a short period of time for shining shoes, a final review of the Sunday School lesson, and such other last-minute jobs as come just before church time.

Attendance at church Sunday morning and evening is required; however, if it weren't there would not be many who would wish to miss these services, especially the Sunday School. It is not that we enjoy a different kind of organization that makes attendance so desirable, but that some one has a nugget of truth that he has found during the week and has hoarded to be spent at this special occasion. Oftentimes we listen to a lecture from our teacher, at other times we comment on the lesson ourselves, but whichever it be, we had just as soon miss one of our classes during the week as to miss the class in Sunday School.

"Students are to be at all meals on time." That's Rule Number 1 under Dining Room Regulations; however, it is not the violation of a rule we are trying to avoid when we appear in the dining room for dinner so promptly after the service. The reason is that we do not care to miss the meal that is served on Sunday because it is a change from the regular course of meals. And listen, if you have something, some nicety or otherwise fastidious delicacy, that you had thought of sending a friend or relative here in school, send it. If you don't know how it will encourage us, how happy it will make us feel, and how glad we will be to boast of "our best friend's taste" or "our mother's cooking," just place yourself in our position and imagine your emotions.

Whether or not it is announced in the dining hall is immaterial; it's generally understood that everybody who cares to meet at 1:30 in the auditorium for what is called the students' prayer meeting. This is my second year in school and I can say I don't know of a meeting that has not resulted in some one's being blessed. There have been times when we have shouted, danced and rejoiced; there have been times when we have cried; there have been puzzling and perplexing

questions definitely answered; there have been times when souls have been saved. In these meetings we share the other one's burdens and likewise have him share ours. There have been times when problems have been solved, miraculously; and, I would dare say, there have been times when futures have been determined-or at least inspired. I suppose the success of these meetings lies in the fact that attendance is not required. One comes if he desires, otherwise he does whatever is more important to him, in fact, we somewhat discourage the idea of compulsory attendance. This service lasts about one hour and a half. The remaining part of the afternoon is spent as the individual desires, some sleeping or resting, some walking around, and some praying. I am sure the one praying receives the greatest blessing.

The evening service starts at 6:30. Most of us take part in the song service and altar service, the other parts exceeding our ability. After the service we retire to our rooms and by ten o'clock we are in bed. "All lights are to be out by ten o'clock."

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#### Parliamentary Law

There are other subjects in the B. T. S. curriculum that are classed as being of more importance than parliamentary law and yet I am convinced that to obtain a thorough knowledge of this subject alone is ample reward for all efforts the student might expend in coming to the school.

Parliamentary law is a basic system of logical rules for governing the transacting of business in assemblies, and is in use, to a greater or lesser degree, wherever there is organization. From the lowliest school and social club to the halls of the United States Congress the system is in use with but slight deviations.

No assembly can transact business intelligently without some knowledge of parliamentary procedure. Without such knowledge the house would generally be in a state of confusion, with three or four members attempting to speak at the same time, several subjects pending, and other confusing conditions that make it impossible to give intelligent consideration to any matter of business.

In our modern day with its enormous population and its gigantic commercial and industrial operations our prosperity and well being depend more and more upon organized effort. Civic clubs, booster clubs, workers' organizations and other similar movements are the order of the day, and it is imperative that everyone know parliamentary law if they would co-operate with, and receive the full benefits from such movements.

Those who are preparing themselves

for the ministry should certainly make a study of this subject. It would be very helpful in conducting business meetings of the local church, in the general assemblies, and in all councils pertaining to church affairs. Its value cannot be overestimated.—Cecil Pirkle.

#### God is So Wonderful and Precious

I praise God from the depths of my heart for the wonderful privilege of being in B. T. S. I never knew God was so wonderful and precious until I came to school.

When I was at home I always looked to mother and dad to solve most of my problems, but since I've been in school I've learned to tell all my troubles to Christ. Sometimes I feel discouraged but when I look up to Him I always receive encouragement.

Pray for me, that I might hold up the cross before sinners, that they may know Christ rules and reigns in my life.—A B. T. S. student, Stella Phillips.

#### Thankful

I truly praise the Lord that he has let me live up to this moment of time and for the privilege of being back in Bible Training School. It is the dearest place I have ever found and if you want to have your soul blessed just come to B. T. S.

All who know the worth of prayer please pray for me that I will always be in the Lord's will.—Your brother in Christ, Auburn Brown.

#### Killing a Church

-"Yer gwine to kill this church if ye goes on sayin' 'give!' 'give!' No church can stan' it. Yer gwine to kill it," said Brother Jenkins to his pastor. Later the pastor said to the people: "Brudder Jenkins told me I wuz gwine to kill dis church if I kept a askin' yer to give, but, my bruddern, chu'ches don't die dat way. Ef anybody knows of a chu'ch dat died 'cause it's been givin 'too much to de Lord, I'll be much obleeged if my brudder will tell me whar dat chu'ch is, for I'se gwine to visit it, and I'll climb on de walls of dat chu'ch under de light ob de silver moon and cry: 'Blessed am de dead dat die in de Lord.'" -Watchman-Examiner.

Faith is believing a thing to be true, with courage to stand for what is believed. This is why the martyrs would not recant. Their faith was anchored in Jesus Christ and His written Word and they were willing or preferred to give up their lives rather than give up their faith and become a traitor to the greatest fundamental principle of Christianity.

### REPORTS

#### Beheld Wonderful Works of God

FRANKLIN, N. C.—Dear Evangel readers, the Lord has been blessing wonderfully. Our church at Franklin is still moving on. We recently closed our second revival in which twelve were saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. Our church building is almost ready for use. It is a beautiful country church.

In September we held a revival at a new place in this county, Hickory Knowl. There we beheld wondrous works of God. The revival was in a very humble home and we had to labor against great disadvantage, but twenty-two men and women went through to the Hely Ghost and others were saved. The church was set in order on a large, solid rock in front of the cabin. Brother Glover Ledford set the church in order. He predicts great things for Hickory Knowl, it having been founded on the rock.

We went in October to Cullasaja, another new community. We had a wonderful revival there. We started Sunday School and monthly services and expect to have the church set in order at an early date. Brother Bryson gave a beautiful lot there for building and we expect to have a church soon.

We praise God for our evangelistic party, Brother J. T. McKay, his wife, son, daughter (musicians), also mother-inlaw, Sister Matthew. Our son, John Sprinkle, and Brother James Saunders assists with the preaching. Brother Saunders is a divine healer, and wonderful signs are following his ministry.—A sister in the battle for lost souls, Maxine Sprinkle.

#### His Hand is Not Shortened

GREER, S. C.—Dear saints and readers of the Evangel, mother and I are shut-ins who have the privilege of listening in on radioland and reading the neighbors' papers. It surely is food to my hungry soul. Mother will be eighty-three Jan. 21st. I praise the Lord for sparing her life so long. What would this world be to me without her? Praise Jesus for what He is to my life.

I ask prayers for more patience and love in my heart for the lost at home and in heathen lands. I know He is soon coming. I want to be robed and ready by His grace. I ask prayers for a man who has drunk until he is almost insane. I have tried to tell him about Jesus for years. He has been spared because of the prayers of the saints, and I believe Jesus

will let the scales fall from his eyes and he will be converted and healed. He is able. He healed my eyes when all doctors failed and heals our family when we obey the command and call the elders. His hand is not shortened. Pray for our family that He may keep us healed by His stripes.

It's wonderful what my Christ has done in my home, but the devil hates a real healing and Pentecostal blessings. I am tried beyond my strength but some day in heaven we can be shut in and the redeemed shall never part. Pray for me that I will ever stand true.—Lelia Rector, 26 Maud St.

#### We Still Need Prayer

PARIS, Tex.—Dear Evangel readers, this first day of 1937 I am writing you hoping you had a great Christmas and will have a great new year. I am broken down in body to some extent. I am trying to stay and rest up, but it is a hard job to do after going so long, having responsibilities on me, and trying to sit down and rent a little room, alone in this big, old world and live by myself. Jesus said if we forsake father and mother, He will give us a reward.

As I sit alone I think of the many friends in this world I would like to get a letter from. They would be a great blessing to me. I have no work, just visit and pray in homes.

The Lord is blessing the work here at Paris. Brother Brous is a great pastor. He has torn down the old church that burned and has built a new one. Oh my, it looks so nice. It has four gas stoves. It is all done but the painting and papering, and is all paid for. It is going on fine. Some preachers do not think it is any harm to work. We had a nice Christmas program and are now in a revival with Brother Shares of Olney doing the preaching. Five received the Holy Ghost this week. Sister Brous and Sister Edith have worked so hard to help get the money to build this house back.

We still need prayer. Pray that God will undertake for your old sister who has spent her life for the Church we love so well. She now has to live in her own hired house as Paul did for sometime.

Please write me a letter, it will encourage me to get letters from my old friends.—Your sister still saved, sanctified, and filled with the precious Holy Ghost, Mollie L. Wilson, 375 Maple Ave., Paris, Tex.

#### Hearts of the Saints Made Glad

Ross tabernacle was the scene of a large and representative gathering of both saints and sinners on Nov. 17. Two truckloads of saints, Sunday School children and well-wishers came rolling into Broad Gate at about 6:30 and 8:00 p. m. from a distance of over ninety miles. We had a notice of their coming three weeks hence. The dear ones had suffered many ill conveniences on one of the trucks due to engine troubles.

Glad were the hearts of the saints that shouts of joy and hallelujahs rang through the air, awakening the stillness of time,

A program that was planned for the occasion could only be gone through partially as there were so many different items to be issued. The general public looked forward with great interest to the coming of the dear ones and although it rained at intervals the little tabernacle was filled to its utmost capacity. Oh, we had a feast better seen than told.

We had song service, reciting, testimonies, and preaching, also an altar call. Souls were greatly revived. This ended the feast and everybody retired.

The morning of the 18th found us in a prayer meeting. Brother Morris preached to us on "Faithfulness." Associated with him were Elder Williams, Brother R. Anderson, superintendent of the Sunday School, and others. Oh, you should see the spirit that prevailed from start to finish.

We were so glad to have the saints and friends with us. After breakfast they mounted for their homes in Clarendon. At about 9:00 a. m. farewells were given. We were sorry to part. Pray for this little fock at Ross tabernacle, of which Sisters Munroe and Henry are workers, that we may be faithful.—Your brother in Christ, R. Jemison, St. Mary, Jam., B. W. I.

#### Working Hard to Keep Banner

EMPIRE, Ala.—We are praising God for His goodness to the church and Sunday School at Empire, Ala. We have a good Sunday School. We are following the rules of our General and State Overseers. We are going over the top for Jesus.

Our state superintendent and her daughter visited on Dec. 13, and did she boost us? I certainly did enjoy her talk, it was very uplifting. We surely were glad they came and want them to come back again. We have the state banner now and are working hard to keep it.

Our state superintendent, Sister Baird, certainly is on the job. Every one in the state will do well to have her visit their Sunday School. We ask all to pray for us that we will do our best for Jesus.—Your brother in Christ, Dave Simpson, superintendent of Sunday School.

#### Working to Make the Church a Lighthouse

BATTLE CREEK, Mich. — Dear Evangel readers, I am sure there are a number of you good brothers and sisters who are anxious to hear from Battle Creek. We started into the battle against Satan right after the Assembly and found a few faithful ones holding the fort when we arrived.

Since the Assembly our Sunday School has been increasing almost every Sunday. We have a hundred per cent increase and expect to double that before the quarter is out. We are having good attendance and our people are all working to make The Church of God a shining lighthouse for Battle Creek. We have a large banner imprinted, "Every Member a Worker." We surely thank God for what He is doing for the people and the Church of God here.

Pray for us to grow and glow for the glory of God. Pray that a revival will break out in our midst. We had a mission march Sunday and everyone in the house gave something. It was a hundred per cent offering. We also got enough that night to pay our rent and lights and pay our aged ministers' quota. Thank you for your prayers offered in our behalf.—Your brother in Christ, W. T. Truett, pastor, 75 Graves Ave.

#### Wonderfully Healed of T. B.

Dear friends in Christ, I take this method of expressing my appreciation of what God's great healing power has done for me. For six years I had been in fast declining health with T. B. until the last year, only determination kept me up and doing. For five months the left lung was so painful I could not use my arm or scarcely breathe.

A climax was reached June 28, 1936. I had a very severe hemorrhage of the lung. For thirty-five minutes I spit one mouthful of clotted blood after another. As I searched my heart for words of comfort and truth for my five fatherless children, these words came to my mind, "This is not a sickness unto death, but for the glory of God." I told them I was not dying then. That was all I could promise at the time. A short time later I collapsed from weakness and a doctor was called. He packed me in ice from the waist to the crown of my head and ordered me not to move as another hemorrhage would be fatal.

In the afternoon some Church of God people came in and I asked an interest in the evening prayer. A special prayer was held in my behalf. One and one-half weeks later terrible spells of weakness and sinking to a subconscious state overcame me, each one getting harder and longer, until the last held me in its grip seven hours. The doctor had given me

up, saying there was nothing to do but keep the heart pulsating with stimulants. For four days and nights I was kept alive with strychnine and ammonia internally, combined with ice water and alcohol baths. Early in the morning after the seven hours' battle with death the night before I realized another attack was coming on. At the same time I knew I could never survive even one hour of another attack. In whispers I began to "get my house in order." I bade adieu to all my loved ones and made what I thought was my last request, then said, "Thy will be done, O Lord, not mine." Then came this message, "Send for Brother Griffin" (Church of God pastor). Again in whispers I made known my request.

I had been an interested visitor to the Church of God several times and loved the church, its staff, and all it stands for. In a short time Brother Griffin came and as near death as I was then, I felt at a loss as how to explain why I had sent for him. I didn't know myself. I was saved at the age of fifteen, united with the Baptist church and lived as true a Christian life as I thought possible. I certainly wasn't afraid to die and face God's judgment. All this I explained as best I could to Brother Griffin, anyway he seemed to understand. I asked for a short service for my benefit. He read a number of verses from the Bible and as he read my hopes were revived, my faith renewed, and a desire to live strengthened. As he went to prayer I requested that we ask God if it be His will to spare my life for the benefit of my children. God heard and answered prayer. In an hour I could speak loud enough to be heard at the foot of the bed. My fever had dropped almost to normal, and had it not been for such horrible weakness I could have gotten up then. Four days later I did get up.

On the rinth day I went by automobile thirty-five or forty miles (and back) to a T. B. sanitorium for an X-ray. The picture showed clear and spotless, no trace whatever of T. B. Less than two months after I was healed I was sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I united with the Church of God and at my request received water baptism. It meant giving up a number of so-called frierds and even a few relatives turned their backs upon us, but I would not give one day of this sweet, close communion with God for all the praise and admiration the worldly people can heap on me in a life time. I didn't begin this life to turn back, but daily ask God to ever keep me worthy of His blessing and His gift of salvation.

I request an interest in the prayers of the Christian people.—Mrs. L. A. Duran, R. F. D. 1, Buford, Ga.

#### Sweet Holy Ghost Blessed My Soul

CAROLEEN, N. C.—I praise God for the blessing that's in my soul now, for the sweet Holy Ghost that blesses my soul. I thank the Lord for our little Church of God here and for our pastor, Brother Roland Harden. He surely is a man of God and a blessing to our work here at Caroleen.

I praise God for healing my finger. I got the end of it mashed off except for a little piece of flesh which held it to my finger nail. Oh, praise God, how I do thank Him for healing it. Brother Albert Teaster anointed and prayed for it and it just healed up; the nail didn't even come off. Thank God! Oh, how I like to trust my body with God.

I had the sore throat so badly a few days ago until I thought my throat would burst but I trusted God. One night I was lying in bed praying when the blessed Healer just healed my throat and blessed my soul until I waked every one in the house praising God and talking in tongues. I can't call anyone to pray for me since Brother Teaster is gone, and Brother Harden lives at Rutherfordton, N. C.

If Brother Perry Chrisp sees this, please come to see us when you feel led. We have service at 3:00 p. m. Sunday. We lost your address. Pray for us here.—Mrs. Roy Vess, Box 51.

#### Healed of Severe Kidney Trouble

Dear Evangel readers, I praise God for healing me of severe kidney trouble. I was down in bed and the saints would come in and pray for me. I would get relief and rest for several hours but wasn't healed until Brother Rouse came in one Saturday morning and talked to me a few minutes. He told me I was already healed, to put on my clothes and go into the front room. He prayed for me after I went in the front room, that the Lord would strengthen me as I was very weak. I had vomited for six days and nights.

My husband called the doctor when I took sick, which I did not want him to do. I did take a few doses of medicine as soon as he came. None of his medicine did me any good and he took some of it back and I burned and poured the rest out after I was healed. Praise the Lord, for I know He can heal. I want to trust Him to the end of the way.

Pray for me as I am the only one in my home who knows the Lord. Pray for my husband and children to be saved. I have had the sweet Holy Ghost for over five years and He still abides. Praise His dear name! Pray for our little church, also for our pastor and family.—Bettie Kinsley, Allen Junction, W. Va.

### **REVIVALS**

EDINBURG, Tex .- Truly we thank the Lord for the good revival He gave us with eleven filled with the Holy Ghost and fire. At the beginning of the revival we started a chain of prayer and ran it for 552 hours without a break in the chain, and surely it brought results. Brother Nolan from Corpus Christi came by and preached twice. Brother Campbell from Electra gave us one week, and the writer did the rest of the preaching with the exception of the first night when Brother Condron gave us a start. Pray for us here at Edinburg, Tex. that God will continue to bless .- Yours for Him, W. W. Smethers, pastor. 25 25 25

EASLEY, S. C.—We just closed a wonderful meeting at Easley, S. C., conducted by Sisters Myrtle Whitehead and Pauline Jackson. God surely did bless. Eighteen were saved, nine sanctified, three filled with the Holy Ghost, and three added to the church. The church was greatly edified. These sisters are great workers for the Lord and we trust we shall be able to get them for another meeting. Their songs and sermons were greatly enjoyed by all.—Nettie M. Hanvey.

LYNCH, Ky.—I praise God for the good revival conducted by Brother D. C. Rayhill. Ten were saved, nine sanctified, nine baptized with the Holy Ghost, six added to the church, and there are eight to be baptized in water, D. V. I thank God for the way He is blessing at Lynch. We have organized a Y. P. E. and it is going fine. Our Sunday School is growing, our crowd is increasing. I believe we are going to have-a good year. There are some fine people at Lynch, some fine young people, and some fine singers. The people are surely good to me.

We have lots of spinal meningitis and they have closed all the churches again. This surely hurts the work, so everyone pray for us here that God will undertake for us.—Sam Holcomb, pastor, Box 113, Cumberland, Ky.

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CARLSBAD, N. Mex.—We praise the Lord for His many blessings. We thank the Lord for our good pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister M. E. Drake. They have proved so faithful to the Lord and His Church here. We have a fine Sunday School and the work is still growing.

We truly praise the Lord for the three weeks' revival we had here just be-

fore Christmas. Brother Douglas, our state overseer, conducted the meeting. We surely enjoyed his messages. The Lord was in our midst and manifested His power in a great way. It seemed some nights there was one wave of glory after another sent directly from heaven. A few nights before Brother Douglas could finish his message the Holy Ghost took charge and sinners came crying to the altar. Several were saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. The last night of the meeting fifteen were added to the church. We are so glad for every one of them. Help us pray that they will stand true and be faithful members. Pray for me and my unsaved loved ones.

—Your sister, Ada Toothman.

SHELBURN, Ind .- A successful revival has just closed at Shelburn, Ind. Ten were saved and reclaimed, eight filled with the Holy Ghost, and five added to the church. The church was also greatly blessed in the ministry of Sister Helen L. Morrow, who conducted the services Sister Morrow made a number of friends during her stay of about three weeks. Miss Margaret James rendered faithful service as pianist. God is continuing to bless the church and the revival spirit still exists. Sister Morrow returned to West Terre Haute, Ind. Jan. 3 to conduct a revival in the Palace Theatre, Pray for the work in Indiana .-C. H. Standifer, district overseer. 25 25 25

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TROY, Tenn.—I am glad to report victory for Graves Chapel. We have just closed a ten nights' meeting with Brother Stanley Prescott doing the preaching. The church is very much encouraged and edified. He also organized a Y. P. E. with ten members. The young people seem to have a mind to do something for God and His Church. Eternity alone will reveal the good done in this revival. Any church will do well to have Brother Prescott with them, he is a wonderful young man for God. He's only nineteen years old. Everyone pray for this place.—Your brother in Christ, B. H. Smith, pastor.

#### NOTICES

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love the Church of God, but to love the church is to be loyal to its teachings. I noticed in our state paper that only Harlan church was coming up with its mission quota. You know you can't be loyal and not raise your part of mission money. I notice some preachers take up most all the offerings for themselves and there is no room for mission offerings. I feel if we will do our part and be loyal to the teachings, our church will grow and prosper and will give the pastor a better report if he will

be a real pastor and say, Come on and let's go over the top, and be an example of giving. Start the offering by putting yours in first. Let the folks know you have the work at heart and not yourself all together. If we are just a preacher to get all we can out of it financially, we should seek other employment. But I can hardly think we have one like that on the Harlan district, I believe we are going to be loval on every line. When we get ready for our monthly report, be sure we have as much as five per cent of the tithes in mission offerings to send in; one-half to E. J. Boehmer, Gen. Sec., for foreign mission, and half to Jerre P. Ashurst, Main St., Somerset, Ky. Let's set an example of loyalty for Kentucky this year and go over the top for Jesus and His church. Let's put on a special drive to have a good revival in every church as soon as possible and get all the subscriptions for the Evangel you can. If you are not a regular subscriber, you are just that much disloyal. You are supposed to be a regular reader of the Evangel before you are licensed and if you quit after you get your license, they ought to be revoked for your disloyalty. But we, in the Harlan district, are not quitters, but stickers. Let's be a real worker for the church on every line. Work and God will pay off. Don't forget orphans and please raise your old ministers' fund as soon as possible, for we have a number of old soldiers of the cross who have broken down from toil, exposure and carrying the load when they could hardly get enough finance to pay their expenses, but they went just the same. They have been pioneers to bring the great Church of God to where it is today and you and I can enjoy good support. Thank God for those who have proven faithful. It is a real pleasure for me to know we are going to take care of them in their last days. May God help us .- T. A. Richard, district pastor, Box 45, Harlan, Ky.

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### THE TENNESSEE HERALD AND ECHOES

will be about two weeks late this time, also all answers to my mail and renewals of evangelists' license, as I will be away from home until about Jan. 22.—M, P. Cross, overseer of Tennessee.

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We are here with Brother T. C. Messer, pastor, and church with our big new state tent. God is blessing. One man was saved last night. There are large crowds, good behavior, good interest, and the power of God is falling. We hear a sound of abundance of rain. Pray that nothing will hinder God's highest purpose.—Evangelist W. L. Brown, 865 N. W. 29th St., Miami, Fla.

## Requests

Please pray that God will heal my body to His glory and help the church here to rise and shine. Pray that God will move some things that are badly hindering the cause.—Your sister in Him, Mrs. B. H. Clark, Rt. 5, Lawrenceburg, Tenn.

Dear saints, I have a very sick child. She is suffering death with her right side and stomach, so please pray that God will heal her. I am very sure it is a bad case of appendicitis. If God doesn't heal her she won't be here long. If anyone feels led to send her an anointed cloth, God will bless you for it.—Mrs. Carrie Taylor, Route 1, Poplar Grove, Ark.

Will Sister Eliza Hughes of Somerset, Ky. please pray for the healing of my body, and if she feels led to, please send an anointed cloth to me. I hope to be able to stay out in the evangelistic work. My home address is 313 S. Brittain St., Muncie, Ind. I also ask all my brothers and sisters in Christ to pray for me.—Evangelist Bertha G. Shideler.

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Please pray earnestly for a baby that is ruptured.—Mrs. G. B. Byrne, Ferris, Tex.

Please pray for me. I have been sick a long time and desire healing and that God will help me to know His will. Pray for the unsaved of my family and that the Lord will send us a revival. I also have an unspoken request. — Minnie Rhoden, Rt. 1, Box 138, Glen St. Mary, Fla.

Please pray for my little girl, she has the whooping cough. Also pray for my companion that God will save her.—Your brother in Christ, R. C. Ross, Rt. 1, Box 22, Grant, Va.

Please pray a special prayer for God to heal my body. I have a severe pain in my chest. I am trusting God, so please pray for me to be healed.—A brother in Christ, P. P. Clark, Dowling Park, Fla.

Dear saints and Brother Rouse, please pray for my father who is unsaved and in bad health. Pray a special prayer for him, also pray for my mother to receive the Holy Ghost. Pray for me and my family.—One who loves the way, Mrs. Lillie Pierce, Lepanto, Ark.

I ask the dear saints to please pray for me that God will keep me true until He comes. Pray for my brothers and sisters that they will be saved. Pray that the Lord will heal me. I need your prayers. I would like to hear from anyone who cares to write to me.—Your sister in Christ, Miss Mae Tadlock, Franklin, Ark.

Please pray a special prayer for the healing of my body. I am suffering very much from rheumatism and I need your prayers.—C. R. Rollins, Cocoa, Fla., Box 551.

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Dear readers, I am afflicted in body and want you to pray a special prayer for my complete healing. God knows the affliction and how I have suffered. I am willing for God's will to be done in me. If anyone feels led to send me an anointed handkerchief, please do so and I will be grateful to you. I am almost disable to go about now.—Your brother in Christ, James Bostic, Rt. 1, Box 226, Middlesboro, Ky.

Pray for my loved ones who are out in sin and that I will receive the Holy Ghost. Also pray for our church that it will continue to shine.—Pearl Hampton, clerk, Brodhead, Ky.

Please pray for me as I am still lame with my knees. It was a very bad sprain and wrench. I have laid my crutches down but it is still bad. Pray that I will be able to soon get out for God's great cause.—Your sister, Amelia Shumaker, Chicago, Ill., 2237 W. Warren Blvd.

Please pray a special prayer for a dear friend of mine. She is very low at this writing with cancer of the bowels. The doctor says there's no chance for her. She must have help at once. Pray, dear saints, and fast too. Pray that she will be saved.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. G. T. Grace, Box 271, Sweetwater, Tex

Please pray a special prayer for me and my family. Pray that we will be drawn closer to the dear Lord. Pray that the Lord will heal our bodies.—A sister in Christ, Lora Dowd, Cobbtown, Ga.

Please pray for my healing. Pray for my unsaved husband.—Josephine White-sides, 106 Long St., Rock Hill, S. C.

Please pray a special prayer for my little four-year-old boy who almost has pneumonia. I know the Lord can heal. Pray for me too.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Ray Douglas, 134 Congress Ave., Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear saints, please pray earnestly for the Lord to give me victory. As you remember I made several requests for a Church of God man to come to Roan Mt. with a tent. I have prayed for a tent or some place to preach. I have rented a large house in Roan Mountain, Tenn.: so please pray much. A meeting started Jan. 1, it is a hard place and I need help. Dear pastors, call special prayer for this place.—Yours in His cause, W. B. Vance, Shell Creek, Tenn.

Please pray for the healing of my body, and if anyone will, please send an anointed cloth. I have stomach trouble and a sore on my left foot. I have many temptations to bear. Pray for me to be an overcomer. I have lost brothers and sisters out in sin, please pray that they will be saved. I also have two special requests which I want you to pray for. I know there is nothing impossible with the Lord. Pray for my mother and sister's health. Pray for our church. We would appreciate letters from any of the saints.

—Your humble sister in Christ, Miss Mattie Fowler, Salem, S. C., R. F. D. 2.

Please pray for the Lord to heal my body, I have been sick so much. Please pray for my family and my brothers and sisters that they will find this way before it is too late. Pray for the church here at Haleyville that the Lord will have His way. Pray that the Lord will send us a preacher.—Mrs. Ray Morgan, Haleyville, Ala., Rt. 4, Box 5.

Please remember my family in prayer, also pray for my mother, she has a severe cold. Pray for my husband, he is a back-slider.—Your humble sister in Christ, Mrs. Bernice Stout, Rt. 1, Bloomington Springs, Tenn.

Saints, I have a trial on hand and ask you to pray for me. My mother is down again, so please pray a special prayer for her healing. I thank everyone who sent me Evangels, they have been food to my soul.—A sister in Jesus, Mrs. W. W. Pyron, Marvell, Ark.

We are going to build a church building, so pray that God will help us with it. We need a building badly and are few in number.—A sister in Christ, Hetty Belcher, Nettleton, Ark.

Please pray much for my troubles, for the healing of all my afflictions and the afflictions of my husband and loved ones. I have unspoken requests for which I ask prayer. Pray for the healing of my father and brothers and for the salvation of their souls, also for my relatives and friends. I am sick very much from fever cold on my lungs, chest, and under my ribs, also from other severe troubles. Please pray much for us. My husband suffers from rupture, rheumatism and worn-out body. - Respectfully yours, Mrs. Z. Ruman, Wilwaukee, Wis., 3445 A. N. 13th St. \* \* \*

Please pray for the saving of my soul. Fast and pray for my wife, her father,

and mother. Pray for us until God saves us. My wife's father and mother do not believe in holiness. Pray that we may all come in one accord to the Church of God. Pray for the people around us that they might become better Christians .-Elzy Underwood, Rt. 2, Red Bay, Ala.

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Please pray for my healing as I am afflicted in body. Pray for my family.-Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Rufus Roach, Easley, S. C., Arial Mill.

Please pray for my husband to be healed of cancer of the bone. I know the Lord can heal him. Pray for all of my children that they will be saved .- Mrs. William Englebert, Labuco, Ala.

\* \* \* Please pray for the church at Alabama City, Ala, I also ask prayer for a sister in the Lord in Moultrie, Ga. for the healing of her body. Pray that I will ever be faithful and that my loved ones will be saved .- A sister in Christ, Maud Martin, Rt. 2, Box 17, Altoona, Ala.

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I request prayer for a dear girl who has T. B. She has been prayed for at different times and gets better then worse. At this time she is very sick. Dear saints, get her case on your hearts and please fast and pray for her. She is fully trusting the Lord for her healing, He is her only hope. Three years ago the doctors gave her up, the Lord is holding her for some purpose. Please pray for her and send her an anointed cloth. Her name and address is Miss Edith Carrico, Arthurdale, W. Va.-Mrs. C. D. Nine, St. George, W. Va.

#### Who'll Be in the Rapture? (Continued from page 3)

that a minister of the gospel will fail to teach the full truth to his congregation and allow them to run the great risk of not having oil in their vessel with their lamps. If you will take my three previous articles and read them all in connection with these two on "Who'll Go in the

Rapture," I believe you will see the importance of the Baptism of the Holy Ghost with the evidence.

THE JUDGMENTS

I have written several times within the last few years on the judgments. There are several judgments spoken of in the Bible but there are three in which Jesus will take a part. The judgment of rewards to the saints at the time of the rapture. Luke 14:14; 2 Tim. 4:1-8 prove beyond a doubt that there will be a judgment of rewards and I am sure that this will take place at the time of the rapture. 2 Cor. 5:10 has reference to this judgment. Matt. 24:32-44 has reference to the kingdom judgment for

Jesus will sit on His father David's throne and all nations will be gathered unto Him. This is just before He reigns a thousand years. He shall descend on the clouds of heaven, Rev. 19:11-16. Zech. 14:4-7 describes the cleaving of the mountain and the valley made for the judgment of the nations. Then a thousand years of peaceful reign with Christ will be set up.

The last judgment is after the thousand years are past, Rev. 20:7-9 describes the working powers of Satan just at the close of the thousand years' reign. Verse 10 describes the doom of Satan. Verses 11-15 describe the last judgment that will take place at the close of the thousand years' reign. Three classes will be at the judgment. First, the wicked dead, Rev. 20:5, "But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection." The righteous have all been raised and have enjoyed the thousand years' reign and now the resurrection continues. This is the first class mentioned. The next class that will be there (Rev. 20:15), will be those whose names were written in the books that were not worthy of a resurrection with the saints. The rext class will be the devil and his angels who are reserved in chains of darkness. 2 Peter 2:4; Jude 6.

#### Is the World Growing Better?

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mented the light and the salt and consequently have made the world better.

Jesus was the light of the world. That light did shine in darkness but the darkness comprehended it not. Men loved and clung to the darkness, because their deeds were evil. They refused to come to the light, and consequently were made no better by it. True Christians, reflecting the light from heaven, only intensify the darkness about them.

The darkness is still darkness and cannot be improved. The sinner (whether church member or non-church member) must forsake darkness and come to the light or he can never be saved.

#### **EDITORIALS**

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mist but I can see a cooling off among the real, Holy-Ghost-baptized forces and I am sure this is an alarming condi-

I'm praying that God will not let us compromise with the world but that He will help us to preach the full gospel, because I am sure this is the days of the rebuilding of Zion and also the outpouring of the full gospel that God intends for every nation to hear, and receive, or at least those who will, before His coming to reign a thousand years.

We have just received a letter from Brother Robt. R. Seyda of Crisfield, Md., telling us of the passing of Sister Seyda. Sister Seyda was a devoted wife and a loving mother, and I am sure their many friend will regret to know of her passing. We extend to Brother Seyda and children our heartfelt sym-

#### STATE CONVENTIONS

Haiti State Convention Port Au Prince, Jan. 14-17 J. VITAL HERNE, Overseer

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Jamaica January 28-31 H. A. HUDSON, Overseer

The overseers will be expected to arrange the place, entertainment and programs in their respective territory.-J. H. Walker, General Overseer.

#### BROADCASTS

4:15 p. m. each Wednesday, Waycross, Ga., WAYX No. 120 H. L. Sorrow, Pstor

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Harrisburg, Ill., WEBQ 1210 Kilocycles Monday, 3:00 to 3:45 p. m. J. R. Thomas, Overseer

Charlotte, N. C., WSOC 1210 Kilocycles Sunday, 4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 3:15 p.m. W. T. Nelson, Pastor

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#### Growing Stronger for the Lord

PARKERSBURG, W. Va.—I am glad to report victory for Parkersburg, W. Va. The church here is growing stronger for the Lord each day. We have for our pastor, Brother S. B. McCane. He is really working for the Lord and being rewarded for his work.

rewarded for his work.

Our Y. P. E. gave a nice program Christmas night sponsored by our president. The Lord is blessing our young people and we have a fine leader who is really interested in her work. We covet the prayers of the saints for us here at Parkersburg, that during this year we will live closer to the Lord and do more for Him than we did the past year. I hope the new year will hold many blessings for you.—Your sister, Irene Doss, 1217 40th St.

Expect to keep good Work Up

RANGER, Tex.—The Church of God at Ranger is going over the top in everything so far and we expect to keep the good work up. We expect to start a revival Jan. 10 and we are looking for the Lord to send us a good evangelistic party. We would like to have some one to stay with us as we have a large district that has not all been worked yet. They are getting ready for a revival at Cisco, Tex. We have three good churches on this district and we want three more before next Oct. 1, 1937.

Brother or sister, pray. Ask God to send you here if it is His will. We need a good song leader to stay with the party.

The Lord has blessed here. He has sent me a car that we were praying for. Now I can go and visit the district churches. If you need me, just let me know and I will be there. Please pray for our revival that God will bring back the backsliders and put them on fire again. Let's work this year as never before. The Lord is soon to come.—Roy J. Young, district pastor,

#### The Lord is With Us

ROBINSON, Ill.—I am located in Robinson, Ill. this year. We found some good folks here and the Lord has surely been blessing. The saints seem to be encouraged to press on.

Since our coming here we have cleared the church of indebtedness and papered it. The Lord is with us. One Sunday after Sunday School a man came to the alter without an alter call and was wonderfully saved.

We started a revival the first Sunday in January and don't know just when it will close. Saints of God, please pray for this place, it's a new field for the Church of God.—Your coworker in Christ and for the great Church of God, Melvin O. Smith.

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#### LOVE

Love is being found to be one of the chief principles in religion. Without it there is nothing remaining. Therefore Christians are looking to see if they are in possession of the grace that exceeds all graces. There is no way of ascertaining just when one has this love, other than by the Bible plan, that is, just what the Word says about it. The following scriptures are some of the most prominent ones at hand.

"Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." "God is love and he that dwelleth in love, dwelleth in God." "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Another says, "Walk in love, as Christ hath loved us, and hath given himself an offering to God, for a sweet smelling savor." Another says, "Ye are taught of God to love one another, he that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God for God is love."

OUTSIDE EVIDENCE OF LOVE

"Whom God loveth he chasteneth, and scourges every son whom he receiveth." It seems to be very easy for one to know when he is being chastized. That is a fact that good is in us or a proof of the fact.

DOING FOR EVIDENCE

If ye fulfill the royal law, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself," ye do well.

OUTWARD EVIDENCE OF GOD'S LOVE TO US

"Whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourges every son whom he receiveth."

INDIVIDUAL SELF-EVIDENCE

"Honor all men, love the brotherhood, fear God, honor the king," And again, "He that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?"

"He that loveth His brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him."

OUTWARD EVIDENCE OF IN-WARD LOVE

"If any man seeth his brother in need and shutteth up his bowels of compassion against him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?"

Exhortation—A man who can enjoy the good things of life and see his poor brother in need—cold and hungry, indeed can expect to go where Dives went when he died.

Outward manifestations are true evidence of the inward work of God. "Let love be without dissimulation, abhor that which is evil, cleave to that which is good." A great sign to you: "Make to yourselves friends of the unrighteous mammon, that they may receive you into

everlasting habitation."

One more great Bible evidence to you: "God LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER." That is easy to be seen.

Just think of the loving Christ who gave Himself to die on the rugged tree. Some has said, "He gave all, what will you give?" Think of Him when here on earth, when once He lived, His beautiful brown hair, His tender, pitiful, blue eyes, that sweet mouth that spoke nothing but good to all men, who said, "I must be about my Father's business"—"Fill those water pots with water"-"Go thy way, thy sins are forgiven thee"-"Thy daughter is made whole," and to another, "Take up thy bed and walk"—"Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest," and too, "Come out of him, thou unclean spirit," and to the waves He said, "Be still"—
"Where is thy husband?"—"I have not found so great faith, no not in Israel." And to the disciples He said, "Cast your net on the right side." And again, "Have faith in God," and to the troubled sisters, "Where have ye laid him?"—"Lazarus, come forth," and "Talatha Cuma," to the widow's son, "Arise." And last of all He said "My hour is come," "Whom seek ye?" And on the cross He said, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" Then He said in a sweet, humble, low tone, His blood dripping down to the ground, "It is finished. Father, into thy hands, I commend my

It looks as though after all that this suffering was for us that we might get into some of this divine love and love some of our poor, suffering friends. Lord, help me!—M. S. Lemons.

#### I Saw the Lord High and Lifted Up

I have had mountains of pleasure, And oceans of love, Since hearing the message Of the Heavenly Dove.

I have had rivers of sorrow, With tears and grief, But the Lord was present To bring me relief.

He has dispelled all my sorrows, And banished my fears; The words of His mouth Have dried all my tears.

My vision of to-day,
Is beyond the blue sky,
I look into the realm
Of the sweet by and by.

There are riches and honor, And glory and fame, Ascribed to the faithful, Who honor His name.

-M. S. Lemons

#### We Must Not Doubt

I thank God for the deep settled peace that I feel in my soul; also for His healing power and the reality in trusting in Jesus. I am glad I can say I am one of the redeemed trusting God for healing of my body. I believe the Word of God is so powerful that it can transform any and every life into the right kind of living, if we believe. We should trust the Lord for our bodies. We should believe the Word, for the Bible teaches that the Word is power to everyone who believes. Thank God, I know it is so.

The Psalmist tells us he sent his word and it healed them, Psa. 107:20. Do we think the Word has diminished in power? Nay, I tell you, nay. But God's Word brings things to pass as in bygone days. It is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

Sometimes our suffering will bring us closer to the Lord. May God help us not to neglect. We must not doubt. Believe and obey. When we know by the Spirit God calls us to do something, we must obey. There are already so many vain teachers who have brought reproach on a sanctified church. Ministers should be sent by the Lord and should not go without being sent. There is quite a difference in faith and obedience. I am sure the Lord has called everyone of us, but we will have to work in our calling. Praise God, if we have the faith we can lay hands on the sick and they shall recover.

Now we have in our churches so many who have even quit being prayed for when they are sick, and if you will look around when you visit many of the church members, you will see what keeps the Lord from working. Some will come to church and say they have lost confidence in the preacher. Surely this is on account of them losing their love in the Church. We, as Church of God members, have no place to stop and look at the other fellow. Luke 9:62 says, "No man, having put his hand to the plough and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God."

I praise God for our little church at Allens Chapel. I praise Him for our dear pastor and his wife, we love them. I also praise Him for our state overseer. He visited our church the 9th of December. We enjoyed his presence in our service and home and hope he will come again, for I know he has his heart in the work. May God bless him. Some of you dear ones who are serving God, write me as I would like some encouragement. Pray that I will forever let my life shine for Jesus.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Beulah Allen, clerk, Rt. 4, Batesville, Miss.

The person who pleads for his own way pleads for his own destruction.

# Death Notices

### COLEMAN

Brother O. L. Coleman of Rhodell, W. Va. was born Oct. 28, 1882 and departed this life Jan. 1, 1937. He was a real Christian and will be missed by both the church and community. He had the Holy Ghost and was an ordained deacon. The funeral was conducted by the writer, his pastor, in the church at Rhodell on Sunday, Jan. 3, and his body was laid to rest in the Sunset cemetery at Beckley, W. Va.—R. A. Fielden.

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Sister Maggie Ely died Nov. 12, 1936 at the age of sixty-nine years. She was a faithful and happy member of the church for years. She died at Wichita Falls, Tex. Brother Mason, pastor, conducted the funeral and interment was made at Big Springs, Tex.—Her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Leavelle, Rt. 2, Box 16, Roswell, N. Mex.

#### SWEARENGIN

The death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edd Swearengin and claimed for its victim their little girl, Oleta Lucile, six months and four days old.—Her grandmother, Julia Swearengin.

#### \* \* \* RATLIFF

Chester Raymond Ratliff, son of Woodford and Edna Ratliff, was born April 9, 1928 and died Nov. 2, 1936, age eight years, six months, and twenty-three days. He was a faithful Sunday School member. Funeral was conducted by the writer and the body laid to rest in the Woodside cemetery at Middletown, Ohio.—Brother R. Huff, pastor, Cincinnati, Ohio.

#### Other Churches Set in Order In Haiti

De a r Evangel readers, greetings f r o m Haiti. We cannot find words to express how God is blessing in Haiti. I had been called before the General Assembly to organize some churches.

Since Nov. 21 I was out of Port Au Prince and I set in order a good church with one hundred sixty-three new converts from the Baptist church at L'Anse a Veau. We also gained the building. The people at L'Anse a Veau showed their happiness to cast their lot with us.

I found also that Brother J. D. Petit had set two new churches in order, one at Boileau, the other at Grand Fond.

Pray for us and the work that God will deliver the perishing remnant.— Your humble brother in Jesus, J. Vital Herne, overseer of Haiti.

#### Our Coming to Canada

(Continued from page 6)

Prince Edward Island, but we waited on the Lord.

Word came at last and on Dec. 14th we left Kingman, Me. about 6:30 a. m. and at 6:10 p. m. the next day we arrived at Summerside, Can. We were met here by Brother Glenn, and after a short greeting we packed our baggage on his car and started on to West Devon, about thirty miles on, over some of the roughest roads we have ridden over in a long time. About 10:00 p. m. we arrived at the parsonage. It is a farm place, the house has ten rooms, plenty of room for the workers who come here.

Brother Glenn has been working hard to get things built up, both spiritually and temporally. This past summer he built a nice church here at West Devon, 25x40 feet, and has it finished, all but ceiling it. It is 18x24, two stories high. This would have been finished but was hindered because of bad weather. This is where Sister Bloomingdale is buried. When she was buried only the foundation of the church was laid. Now they have both a church and parsonage.

The people are very nice here and if there ever was a whitened harvest field, this is it. This is mostly a farming country with a very few large towns. The island itself is one hundred thirty-five miles long varying in width from two to thirty-five miles. The total area is slightly more than two thousand square miles. The 1931 census gives the total population as 88,038, or forty persons to the square mile. Charlottetown is the largest city with a population of 12,000. Summerside is next with 4,000. There is no mission at either place, and there is a wonderful opportunity at Charlottetown, but no workers.

All who wish to write us may write to West Devon, P. E. I., Canada, as we expect to be here for the winter. Pray much for Brother Glenn and his family, and also for Ida, as this cold country is hard on her.—Two humble servants, Lester and Ida Hawkes.

#### That Grand Old Book

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therein,

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-H. L. Motsinger, Creal Springs, Ill.

#### Desires to See the Church Shine

JENA, La.—Dear readers, my desire is to see the Church of God at Jena, La. shine. We have Brother Wilson here with us. I believe he is a God-called preacher. Pray for the church at Jena to shine.

I used to believe in the Baptist church, but when I heard of holiness and saw the light on it, I left the Baptist church and went with the holiness people. Pray for me that I will get closer to God. I have had the Holy Ghost about eight months and I wouldn't turn back in this world. Pray for me that I will do more for Jesus in the future than I have in the past.

There are eight of us children with the Holy Ghost. Some of them have grown cold. There are ten in family. Pray for us to do more for Him. Also pray for my wife and two children.—Your brother in Christ, Floyd Brown.

#### Praise the Lord for Healing

MOUNTAIN REST, S. C.—I praise the Lord this morning because I am saved, sanctified, and the blessed Holy Ghost abides. I thank Him for His healing power. I know my faith is weak, there is no one to help me pray only as I send for our church folks to pray for us. But I am willing to trust Him anyway.

I asked the Lord to heal us of colds and flu and we are getting along just fine. I am well and my little girl is able to play. Please pray for us, we need your prayers at all times.—Your sister in Christ, Gladys Winchester.

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Come Let Us Go Home
Happy Pilgrim
Wonderful Words of Life
Whosoever Means Me
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This is Like Heaven to Me
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I'm Looking for His Coming
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